Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of manufacturing a superconducting wire [[(1)]], comprising the steps of:

drawing a wire [[(1a)]] formed by coating raw material powder [[(2a)]] for a superconductor with a metal ~~(3a) (S6)~~,

rolling said wire [[(1a)]] after said step of drawing ~~(S6) (S8)~~, and

sintering said wire [[(1a)]] after said step of rolling ~~(S8) (S10)~~,

wherein at least one of an interval between said step of drawing [[(S6)]] and said step of rolling [[(S8)]] and an interval between said step of rolling [[(S8)]] and said step of sintering [[(S10)]] is less than seven days.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of manufacturing a superconducting wire [[(1)]] according to claim 1, wherein said wire [[(1a)]] is held at a temperature of not less than 80°C in said interval of less than seven days.

3. (Currently Amended) A method of manufacturing a superconducting wire [[(1)]], comprising the steps of:

drawing a wire [[(1a)]] formed by coating raw material powder [[(2a)]] for a superconductor with a metal ~~(3a) (S6)~~,

rolling said wire [[(1a)]] n times (n is an integer not less than 2) ~~(S8, S12)~~, and

sintering said wire [[(1a)]] n times ~~(S10, S14)~~,

wherein the step of first rolling [[(S8)]] in said step of rolling said wire [[(1a)]] n times ~~(S8, S12)~~ is performed after said step of drawing [[(S6)]],

the step of first sintering [[(S10)]] in said step of sintering said wire [[(1a)]] n times ~~(S10, S14)~~ is performed after said step of the first rolling [[(S8)]],

the step of k-th (k is an integer satisfying $n \geq k \geq 2$) rolling in said step of rolling said wire [[(1a)]] n times ~~(S8, S12)~~ is performed after the step of (k-1)-th sintering in said step of sintering said wire [[(1a)]] n times,

the step of k-th sintering in said step of sintering said wire [[(1a)]] n times ~~(S10, S14)~~ is performed after the step of the k-th rolling in said step of rolling said wire [[(1a)]] n times ~~(S8, S12)~~, and

at least one of an interval between said step of drawing [[(S6)]] and said step of the first rolling [[(S8)]], an interval between said step of the first rolling [[(S8)]] and said step of the first sintering [[(S10)]], an interval between said step of the [[(k-1)]] -th sintering and said step of the k-th rolling, and an interval between said step of the k-th rolling and said step of the k-th sintering is less than seven days.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of manufacturing a superconducting wire [[(1)]] according to claim 3, wherein said wire [[(1a)]] is held at a temperature of not less than 80°C in said interval of less than seven days.